

**REPORT/RECOMMENDATION TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
OF SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY, CALIFORNIA
AND RECORD OF ACTION**

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July 8, 2003

FROM: **RAYMOND B. WINGERD**, Chief Probation Officer
Probation Department

**SUBJECT: CONTRACT WITH SCHOOL DISTRICT FOR SCHOOL-BASED PROBATION
OFFICER**

RECOMMENDATION: Approve contract with Colton Joint Unified School District for services of a school probation officer for the period July 8, 2003 through June 30, 2004, with partial funding, in the amount of \$37,254, provided by the Juvenile Justice Crime Prevention Act of 2000.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION: On August 12, 1997, the Board of Supervisors approved the Juvenile Crime Enforcement and Accountability Challenge Grant award from the Board of Corrections. This grant funded several probation officers assigned to school districts throughout San Bernardino County, and was referred to as the Challenge Grant Home-Run Program.

On June 30, 2001, the Challenge Grant Home-Run Program ended and the school probation officers were then eligible for funding under the Juvenile Justice Crime Prevention Act of 2000 (CPA 2000—formerly called AB 1913) with matching funds from the school districts. The resulting contracts, approved by the Board of Supervisors, have been amended annually and extended through June 30, 2003.

On June 24, 2003, the Board of Supervisors approved six (6) of the seven (7) total contracts for continuing these school-based probation officer services through June 2004. At that time, the Colton Unified School District contract had not been received and was not included for approval.

The Colton Joint Unified School District has agreed to provide a 50% cash match for the probation officer's salary in the amount of \$37,254. The cash match, combined with direct funding from CPA 2000 in the amount of \$37,255, provide \$74,509 for continuing the services of one (1) probation officer and contracting for the period July 8, 2003 through June 30, 2004.

The Probation Department had a total of 30 school-based probation officers on contract for FY 2002-03. For FY 2003-04, the Department has taken measures to standardize the contract language to simplify the process of review, etc. Although the majority of prior contracts had been amended several times, all FY 2003-04 contracts with schools districts are new contracts with standard language reviewed and approved by Risk Management and County Counsel in April 2003.

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REVIEW BY OTHERS: This item has been reviewed by the County Counsel (Dawn Stafford, Deputy County Counsel) on May 6, 2003, and the County Administrative Office (Vicki Kratzke, Administrative Analyst) on June 27, 2003.

FINANCIAL IMPACT: All costs associated with this contract are funded by CPA 2000 funds already received from the State and are not affected by the May Revise of the Governor's proposed state budget for 2003-04. CPA 2000 funding in the amount of \$37,255, with the participating school district cash match of \$37,254, for a total of \$74,509, is included in the Department's proposed 2003-04 budget. In the absence of a continued funding source, staff hired from CPA 2000 money will be assigned to vacant positions, demoted, or laid off at the end of the funding period.

COST REDUCTION REVIEW: The County Administrative Office has reviewed this agenda item and concurs with the department's recommendation for contract services. The County Administrative Office will work closely with Probation to ensure that recommendations for staffing and other costs are mindful of the state budget impact.

SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT(S): All

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